

mentioned above the rights and powers of the sovereign states and the constitutional rights and liberties of the people of the United States have already been violated and are in great danger of further encroachment and possible destruction by unwarranted and injudicious exercise of the so-called treaty-making power; and that this danger is enhanced by the multitude of treaties, conventions, and international compacts and agreements which have been and probably will be proposed by the United Nations and other international associations; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate of the State of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring:

Section 1. That the Legislature of the State of Texas hereby petitions the Congress of the United States that during its present session it submit to the states for ratification a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States for the purpose of limiting the treaty-making power so that, if ratified by the states, (1) no provision of a treaty or other international compact or agreement which conflicts with the Constitution of the United States shall have any force or effect; (2) no international compact or agreement which has not been concurred in by the Senate, as provided in Article II of the Constitution, shall be, or have the dignity or legal effect of, a treaty under Article VI of the Constitution; (3) no treaty or other international compact or agreement shall be effective as internal law within the United States except to the extent it may be made so by an act of Congress enacted to enforce or implement the same; (4) no treaty shall be concurred in by the Senate except by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of a quorum of the Senate, on which the yeas and nays shall be entered on the journal; and (5) the Constitution shall not be in any way or to any extent altered or amended except by one of the methods provided in Article V thereof.

Section 2. The legislatures of all the other states are hereby urged and invited, for the preservation of their own powers and the protection of the constitutional rights of the people of such respective states, to adopt similar resolutions.

Section 3. Promptly after the passage of this resolution the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a certi-

fied copy of this resolution to each of the following:

(a) The Vice President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States;

(b) The members of the Texas delegation in the Congress of the United States;

(c) The Governor and Attorney General of each state, and the presiding officers of each House of each State Legislature or Legislative Assembly.

The resolution was read and was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Co-author of Senate Bills 4 and 5

Senator Bell asked unanimous consent to be shown as co-author of Senate Bills Nos. 4 and 5.

There was no objection offered.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Hardeman, the Senate, at 3:50 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY

(Tuesday, March 16, 1954)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Moore
Ashley	Parkhouse
Bell	Phillips
Bracewell	Rogers
Colson	of Childress
Corbin	Rogers of Travis
Fuller	Russell
Hardeman	Rutherford
Kazen	Sadler
Kelley	Secrest
Lane	Shireman
Latimer	Strauss
Lock	Wagonseller
Martin	Willis
Moffett	

Absent—Excused

Hazlewood	Weinert
McDonald	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Leaves of Absence

Senator Weinert was granted leave of absence for today and the remainder of the week on account of illness on motion of Senator Martin.

Senator Hazlewood was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness on motion of Senator Martin.

Senator McDonald was granted leave of absence for today on account of a death in the family on motion of Senator Martin.

Senate Bill on First Reading

Pursuant to the provisions of the Proclamation of the Governor for the First Called Session of the Fifty-third Legislature, the following bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

By Senators Colson, Parkhouse, Rogers of Travis, Aikin, Fuller, Moffett, Kazen, Kelley, Lane, Sadler, Wagonseller, Corbin, Rogers of Childress, Willis, Bracewell, and Russell:

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations for completion, construction, and equipment of new buildings for the Southwestern Medical School, the University of Texas Dental Branch, and the Texas Prison System and for replacement or renovation of physical plant and equipment for the Texas School for the Deaf; fixing terms governing architectural fees and services authorized by the Act; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Finance.

Senate Resolution 4

Senator Aikin offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Honorable Morgan Johnson is a visitor in the Capital City today; and

Whereas, Mr. Johnson is an outstanding citizen of our State and a civic leader in his home of Paris, Texas; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate express its pleasure in having this outstanding citizen visit with us today, and that he be extended the privileges of the floor for the day.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Aikin, by unanimous consent, presented Mr. Johnson to the Members of the Senate.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 2

Senator Parkhouse offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 2, Relating to removal of Veterans Administration District offices from Texas and Georgia.

Whereas, The Veterans Administration has issued orders to close its district offices in Texas and Georgia and consolidate the operations now performed in these offices with district offices in Denver, Colorado, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, respectively.

Whereas, This move will concentrate all veterans' insurance matters at Philadelphia, St. Paul, Minnesota, and Denver, leaving the entire South and Southwest without any Veterans Administration insurance office.

Whereas, The Veterans Administration's own published statistics show that previous consolidations of district offices affected at Philadelphia and Denver have not produced on a comparative basis any reductions in personnel.

Whereas, Personnel reductions in the Texas and Georgia district offices have been proportionately greater during comparable periods of time than the personnel reductions effected through consolidations at Philadelphia and Denver.

Whereas, The Veterans Administration order for removal of the district offices in Texas and Georgia appears to be based on unrealistic theories regarding economies in operations, and

Whereas, The order closing the district offices in Texas and Georgia is a grave disservice to veterans and the beneficiaries of veterans throughout the southern half of the United States. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the State of Texas petition the President of the United States to review and countermand the order issued by

the Administrator for Veterans' Affairs for removal of the Veterans Administration district offices from Texas and Georgia.

**PARKHOUSE
KELLEY
WILLIS
BELL**

The resolution was read.

Senator Parkhouse asked unanimous consent to consider the resolution immediately.

There was objection.

The resolution was then referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 3

Senator Corbin offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 3, Relating to State moneys for Duval County, San Diego Independent School District and Benavides Independent School District.

Whereas, Recent investigations which included a special audit by Hon. C. H. Cavness, State Auditor, dated February 17, 1954, and a special report by Hon. E. N. Martin, Question Document Examiner, Department of Public Safety; reflect that a questionable situation exists in Duval County, Texas, San Diego Independent School District, San Diego, Texas, and Benavides Independent School District, Benavides, Texas, as it relates to the financial affairs of these political subdivisions of the State of Texas, and

Whereas, Pages 2 and 3 of the Special Audit reveal the following information concerning missing records in Duval County: "Duval County records generally for all years prior to 1951 were not produced, the principal exceptions being the Commissioners' Court minutes and certain files and payroll accounts." Also for the years 1951, 1952 and 1953 many of the county records were also missing, and

Whereas, Page 3 of the above mentioned special audit report shows that the records of Benavides Independent School District "were missing in their entirety for all the period prior to September 1, 1953, except the tax records and minutes of the Board's meetings—the tax records went back several years and the minutes to 1951," and

Whereas, Page 3 of the audit re-

port reveals that a number of records of the San Diego Independent School District were also missing, namely, that the State Auditor could not locate cancelled checks that totaled \$5852.78 against the Local Maintenance Fund. Moreover, numerous tax collector's bank account statements and cancelled checks were missing, and

Whereas, Unlawful and unconstitutional payroll advances were made to county employees and school employees as revealed by pages 4 and 10 of the special audit report. The largest payroll advance in the county was in the sum of \$2500, dated October 5, 1951, and various advances being made to county employees in sums from \$400 to \$1700. (Page 4 of the special auditor report), and

Whereas, Unlawful transfers of constitutional funds have been made by the officials of Duval County in the sums of \$55,000, \$142,415 and \$141,500 for the years 1951, 1952 and 1953, respectively. See page 5 of the special audit report for details, and

Whereas, The County Treasurer and the County Auditor have signed 80 Jury Warrants in blank, and

Whereas, The County Auditor and County Treasurer have signed other checks in blank. (Page 6 of the State Auditor's report), and

Whereas, There is a \$20,000 discrepancy between the Auditor's records and the books of the County Treasurer and bank statements. Stated another way \$20,000 of county money has been expended for which the County Auditor has not made a proper accounting. (Page 8 of the special audit report), and

Whereas, According to the official report by the State Auditor there are no records revealing that any of the county officials have accounted for any fines, forfeitures or fees of office other than the Tax Assessor-Collector and the District Clerk. (Page 9 of the audit report), and

Whereas, The Texas State Bank of Alice, Texas, the county depository, is cashing checks and warrants that carry no endorsements. (Pages 7 and 8 of the special audit report), and

Whereas, According to affidavits of citizens of Jim Wells and Duval Counties certain records and documents of the Texas State Bank of Alice, Texas, and the San Diego State Bank of San Diego, Texas, have been

destroyed or misplaced, thus preventing a full and complete audit and accounting of all county and school funds, and

Whereas, So few records of the Benavides Independent School District were available that it was impossible for the State Auditor to make an audit of said school district. (Pages 9 and 10 of Auditor's report), and

Whereas, School checks and warrants are cashed by the San Diego State Bank, the depository of the San Diego Independent School District, without endorsement. (Page 10 of audit report), and

Whereas, The special report of Hon. E. N. Martin, dated February 18, 1954, at pages 1 and 2 thereof reveal that (1) the same person signed the name of both the County Auditor and the County Treasurer to various warrants, (2) also, many of these warrants bear the endorsement of the County Auditor, and (3) further the County Auditor issued numerous warrants in blank, and

Whereas, The State records reflect that the Texas Education Agency has dispersed \$769,216.58 in State moneys to the San Diego Independent School District and the Benavides Independent School District during the fiscal years 1951, 1952 and 1953; that the State Comptroller of Public Accounts has forwarded \$5,514.81 of State funds to Duval County for the benefit of the Officers Salary Fund; and the Board of County and District Road Bond Indebtedness also made a payment in the sum of \$4,661.94 from State funds to Duval County, and

Whereas, By reason of the above enumerated deplorable conditions involving State funds it is evident that corrective action should be taken by the affected State agencies immediately. Now, therefore be it

Resolved, By the Senate with the House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature instruct the interested agencies sending State moneys to Duval County, San Diego Independent School District and Benavides Independent School District that these agencies withhold all State moneys, disbursements and allocations to the above named political subdivisions until such a time as all missing records are produced and/or a complete and satisfactory certified audit is made.

The resolution was read.

Senator Corbin asked unanimous consent to consider the resolution immediately.

There was objection.

The resolution was then referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Message From the Governor

The following message, received from the Governor, was read and was referred to the Committee on Nominations of the Governor:

Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1954.

To the Senate of the Fifty-third Legislature, First Called Session:

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointments made since adjournment of the Fifty-third Legislature, Regular Session:

To be members of the State Board of Public Accountancy for terms to expire September 4, 1955:

Certified public accountants: George H. Abbott of Dallas, Dallas County; Harry Briner of San Antonio, Bexar County; Z. Turner McGuire of Houston, Harris County;

Non-certified public accountants: Hugh Hackney of Corpus Christi, Nueces County; L. E. Tennison of Clifton, Bosque County.

To be a member of the Texas Aeronautics Commission for term to expire September 4, 1959:

Harold Clark of Odessa, Ector County.

To be members of the Texas Commission on Alcoholism for terms to expire June 9, 1955:

W. S. Heatly of Paducah, Cottle County; W. J. Barnes of Houston, Harris County;

For terms to expire June 9, 1957: Joe C. Carrington of Austin, Travis County, (to serve as Chairman for one year); Dr. Andrew S. Tomb of Victoria, Victoria County;

For terms to expire June 9, 1959: Al Badger of Dallas, Dallas County; Cecil Cabaniss of Austin, Travis County.

To be Branch Pilots for Port Aransas Bar, Corpus Christi Bay and tributaries for two-year terms to expire January 12, 1956:

Van Albert Court of Nueces County; Harold Percy Lister, Jr., of Nueces County.

To be members of the State Board of Architectural Examiners for terms to expire July 21, 1959:

C. C. Simmons of San Antonio, Bexar County; Louis Daeuble of El Paso, El Paso County.

To be members of the Board of Directors of the Texas College of Arts and Industries for six-year terms to expire August 31, 1959:

J. L. Boggus of Harlingen, Hidalgo County; Garland M. Lasater of Falfurrias, Brooks County; J. C. Martin, Jr., of Laredo, Webb County.

To be members of the State Board of Examiners in the Basic Sciences for terms to expire July 23, 1959:

Dr. W. M. Longnecker of Dallas, Dallas County; Dr. Cornelia M. Smith of Waco, McLennan County.

To be members of the Battleship Texas Commission for terms to expire May 26, 1959:

T. C. Dunn, Jr., of Houston, Harris County; Mrs. Albert E. Hudspeth of Dallas, Dallas County; Admiral S. M. Robinson of Houston, Harris County.

To be Branch Pilots for Brazos Santiago Pass, Bar and Tributaries for two year terms to expire August 10, 1955:

Cecil F. Crawford of Cameron County; Donald F. Willett of Cameron County;

For two-year terms to expire June 5, 1955: John A. Fuller of Cameron County; Francis M. Kershaw of Cameron County.

To be Canadian Compact Commissioner for term to expire December 3, 1955:

Tom C. Craig of Amarillo, Potter County.

To be members of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for six-year terms to expire August 11, 1959:

Dr. Don W. Tobin of San Antonio, Bexar County; Dr. Louis A. Blumer of Amarillo, Potter County.

To be members of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners for six-year terms to expire August 4, 1959:

Dr. D. E. Biser of Dallas, Dallas County; Dr. Charles Courtion of San Angelo, Tom Green County; Dr. Walter H. Fischer of Temple, Bell County.

To be members of the State Board of Control for six-year term to expire August 31, 1959:

C. F. McAuliff of Dallas, Dallas County;

For four-year term to expire August 31, 1957: H. M. Lingle of Buchanan Dam, Llano County;

For two-year term to expire August 31, 1955: R. C. Lanning of Jacksboro, Jack County.

To be a member of the Board of Directors of the Dallas County Flood Control District for term to expire September 4, 1959:

Marion B. Solomon of Dallas, Dallas County.

To be members of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers for terms to expire September 24, 1959:

Robert E. Moore, Sr., of Dallas, Dallas County; Lewis Gross of Corpus Christi, Nueces County;

For term to expire September 24, 1955, to fill unexpired term of Datus E. Proper, resigned: A. F. Mitchell of Corsicana, Navarro County.

To be a member of the Finance Commission to fill the unexpired term of Walter W. McAllister, resigned, term to expire February 1, 1957:

Arthur M. Michael of San Antonio, Bexar County.

To be Firemen's Pension Commissioner for term to expire July 1, 1955:

G. Frank Williams of Austin, Travis County.

To be Branch Pilots for the Port of Galveston and Texas City for term to expire October 27, 1955:

Charles H. Heidrick of Galveston County;

For terms to expire September 1, 1955: Robert W. Howard of Galveston County; George W. Crosby of Galveston County; Harold F. Johnson of Galveston County; Ralph M. Watson of Galveston County;

For terms to expire July 26, 1955: Sherman B. Wetmore of Galveston County; Basil V. O'Brien of Galveston County; Thomas N. Wilroy of Galveston County.

To be members of the Game and Fish Commission for terms to expire September 1, 1959:

Henry Coffield of Marfa, Presidio County; Henry LeBlanc of Port Ar-

thur, Jefferson County; Herbert J. Frensley of Houston, Harris County.

To be members of the Good Neighbor Commission of Texas for terms to expire June 19, 1959:

Watson W. Wise of Tyler, Smith County; Frank Kelley of Colorado City, Mitchell County; Andres Rivera, Jr., of San Antonio, Bexar County.

To be members of the Board of Directors of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority to fill the unexpired term of Curtis M. Foester, deceased, term to expire February 1, 1957:

R. C. Barton of Seadrift, Calhoun County;

To fill the unexpired term of Arvle Elliott, resigned, term to expire February 1, 1955: William S. Fly of Victoria, Victoria County.

To be a member of the State Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists for six-year term to expire August 9, 1959:

Mrs. Bess Monk of Elkhart, Anderson County.

To be members of the State Board of Health for terms to expire June 12, 1959:

Dr. Hampton C. Robinson of Houston, Harris County; Dr. F. W. Yeager of Corpus Christi, Nueces County; Dr. A. C. Sloan of Dallas, Dallas County.

To be members of the Advisory Hospital Council for terms to expire July 17, 1959:

Dr. Raymond E. Sitta of Chillicothe, Hardeman County; Dr. John M. White, Jr., of Port Arthur, Jefferson County; Neal Powers of Carthage, Panola County; C. L. McIver of Leona, Leon County.

To be Branch Pilots for Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel for two-year term to expire October 13, 1955:

J. F. Cook of Harris County;

For two-year terms to expire October 16, 1955: Holt P. Daniels of Harris County; Elmer C. Bell of Harris County; Paul Collie of Harris County;

For two-year terms to expire October 15, 1955: T. H. Bratcher of Harris County; E. B. Mercer, Jr., of Harris County; A. G. Roye of Harris County;

For two-year terms to expire December 9, 1955: Charles H. Fuller of Harris County; C. T. McMains of Harris County;

For two-year terms to expire January 21, 1956: Nick J. Morina of Harris County; Lewis Bennett of Harris County;

For two-year terms to expire February 11, 1956: Jack E. Rowland of Harris County; C. W. Burlison of Harris County; W. W. Steinhort of Harris County; Fred A. Parker of Harris County.

To be a member of the Industrial Accident Board for six-year term to expire September 1, 1959:

Leonard Carlton of Commerce, Hunt County.

To be Life Insurance Commissioner and Chairman of the Insurance Commission to fill the unexpired term of George Butler, deceased, term to expire February 10, 1957:

Garland Smith of Caldwell, Burleson County.

To be Casualty Insurance Commissioner to fill unexpired term of Garland Smith, term to expire February 10, 1959:

J. Byron Saunders of Tyler, Smith County.

To be Interstate Compact Commissioner for term to expire December 3, 1955:

Henry L. Woodworth of Orange, Orange County.

To be District Attorney, 109th Judicial District, to succeed John P. Dennison, resigned:

John R. Lee of Kermit, Winkler County.

To be judge of the Court of Domestic Relations for Harris County:

J. W. Mills of Houston, Harris County.

To be Chief Justice, Court of Civil Appeals, First Supreme Judicial District, Galveston, to succeed the late Chief Justice Walter E. Montieth:

W. P. Hamblen, Jr., of Houston, Harris County.

To be District Judge, 125th Judicial District, to succeed Judge W. P. Hamblen, Jr.:

Spurgeon Bell of Houston, Harris County.

To be District Attorney for the Criminal District Court of Harris County:

William H. Scott of Houston, Harris County.

To be District Attorney, 47th Judicial District, to succeed H. C. Pipkin, resigned:

A. J. Robinson of Amarillo, Potter County.

To be Chief Justice, Court of Civil Appeals, Eighth Supreme Judicial District, El Paso, to succeed the late Chief Justice P. R. Price:

R. W. Hamilton of Midland, Midland County.

To be District Judge, 70th Judicial District, to succeed Judge R. W. Hamilton:

William B. Deaderick of Odessa, Ector County.

To be District Attorney, 51st Judicial District, to succeed Justin A. Kever, resigned:

Aubrey D. Stokes of San Angelo, Tom Green County.

To be District Judge, 56th Judicial District, to succeed Judge Charles G. Dibrell, retired:

L. D. Godard of Texas City, Galveston County.

To be District Attorney, 83rd Judicial District, to succeed Travers Crumpton, resigned:

Lucius D. Bunton of Marfa, Presidio County.

To be Associate Justice, Court of Civil Appeals, Sixth Supreme Judicial District, Texarkana, to succeed the late Justice Elmer L. Lincoln:

William J. Fanning of Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County.

To be District Judge, 112th Judicial District, to succeed Judge Garland Casebier, resigned:

Jim C. Langdon of McCamey, Upton County.

To be members of the Board of Regents of Lamar State College of Technology for six-year terms to expire October 5, 1959:

Clark Barrett of Orange, Orange County; J. T. Yardley of Port Arthur, Jefferson County; J. B. Morris of Beaumont, Jefferson County.

To be members of the Texas Library and Historical Commission for term to expire September 28, 1955:

Guy B. Harrison of Waco, McLennan County;

For terms to expire September 28, 1959: Walter Long of Austin, Travis

County; L. W. Kemp of Houston, Harris County.

To be a member of the Liquor Control Board for term to expire November 15, 1959:

Wilson Heard, Jr., of Refugio, Refugio County.

To be members of the Board of Directors of the Neches River Conservation District for terms to expire September 5, 1959:

J. M. Travis of Jacksonville, Cherokee County; Jim Ben Eden of Corrigan, Polk County; Gus Whiteman of Alto, Cherokee County.

To be members of the State Board of Examiners in Optometry for terms to expire August 11, 1959:

Dr. Robert H. Shipman of San Antonio, Bexar County; Dr. W. F. Baber of Vernon, Wilbarger County.

To be a member of the Commission of Public Safety for term to expire December 31, 1959:

Hoxie H. Thompson of Trinity, Trinity County.

To be a member of the State Board of Public Welfare to fill the unexpired term of J. Byron Saunders, resigned, term to expire January 20, 1957:

Mrs. Van Hook Stubbs of Wortham, Freestone County.

To be members of the Texas Real Estate Commission for six-year terms to expire October 5, 1959:

J. C. Culpepper of College Station, Brazos County; Robert Hawley of Texarkana, Bowie County.

To be Rio Grande Compact Commissioner for two-year term to expire July 16, 1955:

Louis A. Scott of El Paso, El Paso County.

To be Branch Pilots, Sabine Bar, Pass and Tributaries for two-year terms to expire March 1, 1956: L. O. Hodges of Jefferson County; C. C. Grant of Jefferson County; D. A. Blanchard of Jefferson County;

To expire February 17, 1956: Bert Jackson of Jefferson County;

To expire January 18, 1956: G. Rodney Robinson of Jefferson County;

To expire October 9, 1955: John M. Cox of Jefferson County; Arne Peder-

sen of Jefferson County; S. W. Livingston, Jr., of Jefferson County;

To expire August 15, 1955: Carl M. Bancroft of Jefferson County;

To expire June 22, 1955: R. G. Johnson of Jefferson County; C. K. Luther of Jefferson County; D. J. Simonton of Jefferson County.

To be members of the Sabine River Authority for terms to expire July 6, 1959:

Henry Murphy Wilson of Tyler, Smith County; Guy "Bubba" Cowser of Center, Shelby County; John Henry Minton of Hemphill, Sabine County.

To be members of the Texas Civil Judicial Council for terms to expire July 1, 1959:

Richard M. Morehead of Austin, Travis County; Clarence E. Sample of Dallas, Dallas County; Robert M. Wagstaff of Abilene, Taylor County.

To be a member of the Board of Directors, Texas Southern University, to fill the unexpired term of Spurgeon Bell, resigned, term to expire February 1, 1957:

J. O. Nobles of Midland, Midland County.

To be a member of the Advisory Board, Texas State Guard Reserve Corps, to succeed Major General J. Watt Page, resigned:

Colonel Donald W. Peacock of San Antonio, Bexar County.

To be a member of the Teacher Retirement Board of Trustees for term to expire August 31, 1959:

Oscar Miller of San Antonio, Bexar County.

To be chairman of the Texas State Railroad Board of Managers to fill the unexpired term of K. A. Anderson, resigned, term to expire April 8, 1957:

Johnnie Herrington of Palestine, Anderson County.

To be members of the Board of Directors of the Texas Turnpike Authority for six-year terms to expire February 15, 1959:

A. H. Rowan of Fort Worth, Tarrant County; P. R. (Pat) Rutherford of Houston, Harris County;

For four-year terms to expire February 15, 1957:

Bert Fields of Dallas, Dallas Coun-

ty; Armistead Rust of San Angelo, Tom Green County;

For two-year terms to expire February 15, 1955:

R. L. Tayloe of Dallas, Dallas County; W. R. Boyd, Jr., of Teague, Freestone County.

To be members of the Commission on Uniform State Laws for four-year terms to expire July 7, 1957:

Lucian E. Morehead of Plainview, Hale County; Ben H. Powell, Sr., of Austin, Travis County; Joe Estes of Dallas, Dallas County; Charles T. McCormick of Austin, Travis County; Tom Martin Davis of Houston, Harris County.

To be members of the Board of Directors of the Upper Neches River Municipal Water Authority for terms to expire January 1, 1959: Frank W. Ebaugh of Jacksonville, Cherokee County; Eldredge Gregg of Rusk, Cherokee County; K. A. Anderson of Palestine, Anderson County;

For terms to expire January 1, 1957:

T. E. Acker of Jacksonville, Cherokee County; Charles Decker of Rusk, Cherokee County; Eugene Fish of Palestine, Anderson County;

For terms to expire January 1, 1955:

Gus Blankenship of Jacksonville, Cherokee County; Lewis R. McCarroll of Rusk, Cherokee County; R. L. Kenderdine, Jr., of Palestine, Anderson County.

To be members of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners for six-year terms to expire August 26, 1959:

Dr. Raymond Hander, Windthorst, Archer County; Dr. G. D. Stallworth of Austin, Travis County;

For four-year terms to expire August 26, 1957:

Dr. Drue Ward of Fort Worth, Tarrant County; Dr. Henry K. Maier of Beaumont, Jefferson County;

For two-year terms to expire August 26, 1955:

Dr. Charles Koberg of San Angelo, Tom Green County; Dr. Charles A. Thompson of Dalhart, Dallam County.

To be a member of the State Board of Water Engineers for term to expire August 19, 1959:

Otha Dent of Littlefield, Lamb County.

To be members of the Water Resources Committee for terms to expire August 26, 1955:

O. G. McClain of Corpus Christi, Nueces County; Marvin C. Nichols of Fort Worth, Tarrant County; E. H. Klein of Amarillo, Potter County.

To be a member of the Youth Development Council for term to expire July 23, 1959:

Leslie Jackson of Dallas, Dallas County.

Respectfully submitted,
ALLAN SHIVERS,
Governor of Texas.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
March 16, 1954.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. C. R. No. 2, In memory of Honorable Frank Svadlenak.

H. C. R. No. 4, Relative to per diem of Members.

Respectfully submitted,
CLARENCE JONES,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Resolution Signed

The President signed in the presence of the Senate, after the caption had been read, the following enrolled resolution:

H. C. R. No. 3, Providing Joint Session to hear address by the Honorable Allan Shivers, Governor of Texas.

House Resolution on First Reading

The following resolution, received from the House today, was read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

H. C. R. No. 4, To the Committee on Finance.

House Concurrent Resolution 2 on Second Reading

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 2, In memory of Frank Svadlenak.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Rogers of Travis the names of the Lieutenant Governor and all the Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

On motion of Senator Rogers of Travis the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Hardeman, the Senate at 11:15 o'clock a. m. adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Record of Vote

Senator Willis asked to be recorded as voting "nay" on the motion to adjourn.

In Memory of
Honorable Mark McGee

Senator Hardeman offered the following resolution:

(Senate Concurrent Resolution 4)

Whereas, A distinguished Texan, on July 15, 1953, answered the final summons of his Creator and was called from his earthly house, and

Whereas, This son of Texas was born on September 14, 1888 in May, Brown County, Texas, to his parents Dr. John F. and Ellen Anderson McGee, and

Whereas, After attending the public schools of his native county he completed his academic education at Howard Payne College in Brownwood from which he received his bachelor's degree and subsequently awarded the LL.B. degree by the University of Texas and was admitted to the practice of law in Brownwood in 1912, and

Whereas, After serving his county as its attorney, his nation as a member of the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I as a lieutenant and his State as its Adjutant General during the first administration of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, he removed to Fort Worth in 1925 and resumed the practice of law in that city and throughout Central and West Texas until his passing, and

Whereas, Because of his pleasing personality, his ready wit and his marked ability, he was known throughout the State as an outstanding toastmaster and was frequently called upon to preside over gatherings of all types, and

Whereas, He was selected by various State and National administrations to render public and patriotic services among such being as a Director of Texas Technological College, as Chairman of a Bi-Racial Commission to plan for a negro university and an Agricultural and Mechanical College, as Department Commander of the American Legion of Texas, as President of the Fort Worth Kiwanis Club, as permanent Chairman of the Democratic State Convention in 1936 and as Director of the Office of Price Administration during World War II, and

Whereas, He was loved by people of all walks of life and his companionship and advice was sought by his fellows, and

Whereas, It is the desire of the members of the Senate of Texas and of the House of Representatives to pay tribute to him and to recognize this true son of Texas and to express their sympathy to his surviving widow, Mrs. Jerienne Sansom McGee of Fort Worth, and his daughter, Mrs. Jean McGee Clark of Nacogdoches, his grandson, Mark Clark, and his sister, Mrs. Lula Garnett of Brownwood; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate of Texas, the House concurring, that a page in the Journal be set aside in memory of Honorable Mark McGee and that when the Senate adjourns today it do so in his honor and that copies of this resolution be sent to members of his family and to the secretary of the Tarrant County Bar Association at Fort Worth.

HARDEMAN

Signed—Ben Ramsey, Lieutenant Governor; Aikin, Ashley, Bell, Bracewell, Colson, Corbin, Fuller, Hazlewood, Kazen, Kelley, Lane, Latimer, Lock, Martin, McDonald, Moffett, Moore, Parkhouse, Phillips, Rogers of Travis, Rogers of Childress, Russell, Rutherford, Sadler, Secrest, Shireman, Strauss, Wagonseller, Weinert, Willis.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Corbin, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and all the Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.